

# HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ON TOURISM, OUTDOOR RECREATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES

521 House Office Building

Tuesday 10:30 A.M.

January 29, 2008

**Representative Joel Sheltroun, Chair**, called the meeting to order.

**Representative Sheltroun** requested attendance be called to establish a quorum of the appointed committee members:

**Present:** Representatives Sheltroun, Brown, Hammon, Lindberg, Simpson, Casperson, Walker, Stakoe and Horn.

**Absent:** Representative Ebli and Kathleen Law.

**Representative Hammon** moved to excuse the absent members.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by **unanimous consent**.

**MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED:** Representatives Ebli and Kathleen Law.

**Representative Casperson** moved to approve the minutes of the **December 11, 2007** meeting.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by **unanimous consent**.

**The Chair laid HB 5607** before the committee.

HB 5607	Calley	Watercraft; traffic control; disabled individual using boat with motor in waterway prohibiting motorized watercraft; allow.
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**Representative Calley, sponsor of HB 5607**, explained his bill to the committee.

**Representative Calley** introduced **Mr. Thomas Sprague**. Mr. Sprague, representing himself, testified in **support of HB 5607**. Questions and discussion followed.

**Daniel Eichinger**, representing the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, testified in **support of HB 5607**. Questions and discussion followed.

**David Ladd**, representing the National Marine Manufacturers Association, submitted a testimony card indicating **support of HB 5607** but did not wish to speak.

**Brad Garmon**, representing the Michigan Environmental Council, submitted a testimony card indicating **opposition to HB 5607** but did not wish to speak.

**The Chair laid HB 5648** before the committee.

HB 5648   Lahti                      Natural resources; forests; relinquishment of reverter; provide for on certain municipal forest prime lands.

**Representative Lahti, sponsor of HB 5648**, explained his bill to the committee. Questions and discussion followed.

**Daniel Eichinger and Lynne Boyd**, representing the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, testified in **opposition to HB 5648**. Questions and discussion followed.

**Brad Garmon**, representing the Michigan Environmental Council, submitted a testimony card indicating **opposition to HB 5648** but did not wish to speak.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the **Chair** adjourned the meeting, the time being **11:05 a.m.**

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Representative Joel Sheltroun, Chair

Dave Mead  
Committee Clerk  
January 29, 2008  
35 minutes

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Date Approved and Signed